

LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER AND/OR SEWER RATES

(Name of Utility), Applicant, comes before the Louisiana Public Service Commission with a petition for approval to increase (Water and/or Sewer) rates for the reasons detailed in this application filing. The current rates authorized by the Louisiana Public Service Commission for (Water and/or Sewer) services performed by the Applicant are deemed insufficient and should be increased to meet increased in accordance with all permissible company operations.

As of the date of this application, (Name of Utility) is a regulated (Profit and/or Non-Profit) public utility, registered with the Louisiana Public Service Commission, authorized to provide (Water and/or Wastewater) service to customers in (Insert Name) Parish(es), Louisiana. The Applicant currently provides the aforementioned services to (# of Residential Customers) and (# of Commercial Customers). Residential customers average a monthly consumption of (# of gallons) and Commercial customers average a monthly consumption of (# of gallons).

II.

The current rates for (Water and/or Sewer) service being charged by Applicant are:

- A. Residential Customers
- B. Commercial Customers
- C. Industrial Customers
- D. Misc.

NOTE: Utility may provide the requested information in any suitable form, such as a table or chart.

III.

The proposed rates for (Water and/or Sewer) service that the Applicant seeks to charge are:

- A. Residential Customers
- B. Commercial Customers
- C. Industrial Customers
- D. Misc.

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IV.

Applicant seeks a rate increase for the reasons contained herein. Applicant has attached a sworn statement verifying this Application and all attachments and/or exhibits hereto.

(Utility shall provide a detailed description in support of the rate increase. Such description should fully entail the reasons for warranting a rate increase, inclusive of the basis for seeking the proposed rates. Further, Utility shall not warrant an increase solely on basic conclusions such as "increased costs of materials, fuel, etc." If the basis for the application is an increase in the cost of materials, fuel, etc., the Utility shall provided facts, figures, and any other supplemental evidence to effectively demonstrate how the increased operating costs have impacted its operating budget.)

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V.

Applicant should identify whether the proposed rate increase is necessary to comply with other regulatory agencies standards, such as DEQ, EPA, DHH, etc. If so, Applicant should identify such agency and the fees and/or other requirements imposed by that agency.

NOTE: Applicant is to attach supporting documentation of the agency's requirements to this application.

VI.

Applicant should identify whether the proposed rate increase is to fund a capital improvement project(s).

NOTE: If the increase is to fund capital improvements, the Utility shall provide a brief, yet detailed summary of such improvements, and include a line item budget, illustrating the total cost of the project and projected completion date of each phase of the project.

VII.

Applicant has attached audited financial statements, including the income statement and balance sheet for the most recent accounting period (test year) and the previous twelve (12) months.

NOTE: Attach the applicable documents to the applications as an exhibit

VIII.

Applicant has filed the required annual reports with the Louisiana Public Service Commission for the previous three (3) years. If the applicant has any outstanding annual reports, the Utility shall submit the required reports and applicable late filing fees in conjunction with this application. (<http://lpsc.louisiana.gov/waterannualreports.aspx>)

IX.

Applicant shall provide proof of publication of the change in rates in the official state journal and the official journal of each parish within the geographical area in which the schedule would become applicable. Applicant may obtain list of the official parish journals via the following link: <http://www.sos.la.gov/OurOffice/PublishedDocuments/OfficialParishJournals.pdf>.

X.

Applicant has provided proof of payment in the amount of \$50.00 for the required application fee as established by the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

XI.

Applicant should include contact information, including name, address, telephone number, and email address of the contact person for the Utility in this rate case.

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XII.

Applicant, (Name of Utility), hereby attests that all information provided within this application is true and accurate, thus, deeming this application as sufficient and in accordance with the rules of practice and regulation as established by the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

(Signature of Authorized Representative), on behalf of Applicant, (Name of Utility).

(Typed Name of Representative)

(Address of Representative)

(Phone Number for Representative)

(Email Address of Representative)